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Re: MUR 4378

Dear Ms. Weissenborn:

On November 17, 1998, Mr. Burchfield and I received your letter of November 16, 1998. The purpose of this letter is to request an extension of time until January 15, 1999 in which to submit a responsive brief on behalf of the National Republican Senatorial Committee ("NRSC"). The NRSC's responsive brief would ordinarily be due on December 2, 1998.

The request of the 44 day extension is for good cause. First, the General Counsel's 57-page factual and legal analysis will require us to conduct extensive factual and legal research in order to prepare the NRSC's response brief. Second, the principal legal issue identified in the General Counsel's brief regarding the coordination of issue advertisements is, to say the least, an unsettled area of law. Third, due to the Thanksgiving and winter holidays, several of the witnesses and other sources of factual information that the NRSC needs to contact will be unavailable for substantial periods of time in the upcoming weeks.

Thank you very much for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Michael A. Dawson